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Applicant: PEEMANS et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/065,062 ) Group Art Unit: 1711 GROUP 1700  
Filed: 13 September 2002 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Examiner: Truong  
PREPARING A POLY(ARYLENE ETHER) )

## RESPONSE

Via Facsimile (703) 872-9310, TC Group 1700  
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Sir:


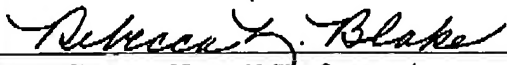
This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2003. It is submitted in accordance with the Revised Amendment Format under the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as issued by the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy on January 31, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application to place the case in better condition for allowance.

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### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-47 are pending in the present application. Claims 44-47 have been withdrawn from consideration, leaving Claims 1-43 for consideration upon entry of the present Response. No amendments have been made to the specification or the claims. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>121887-1</b>	
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Invention: <b>METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREPARING A POLY(ARYLENE ETHER)</b>					
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	43 -	47 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	8 =	0 x	\$84.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
 <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>07-0862</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</div><div style="text-align: right;">Dated: <b>June 11, 2003</b></div></div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div> _____ Signature  <b>J. Michael Buchanan</b> Registration No. 44,571 Customer No. 23413 Telephone No. 860-286-2929</div><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 300px;"><p>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 6/11/2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p><div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence  <b>VIA FACSIMILE By Rebecca L. Blake</b> Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div></div></div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;">cc:</div>					

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<p>I hereby certify that this <u>Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 pg); Amendment Response (18 pgs)</u> (Identify type of correspondence)</p> <p>is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Fax. No. <u>703-872-9310</u>)</p> <p>on <u>June 11, 2003</u> (Date)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Rebecca L. Blake</u> (Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u><i>Rebecca L. Blake</i></u> (Signature)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Note: Each paper must have its own certificate of mailing.</p>				